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18. The system as set forth in claim 12, wherein an input device is provided, connected to said processor.

19. The system as set forth in claim 12, wherein a data recording device is provided for recording data during the operation of said system.

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**Remarks**

This amendment is being submitted to delete multiple dependencies prior to calculation of the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,



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**APPENDIX**

The change(s) to the specification and/or claims are below shown by underscoring and bracketing.

***In the Claims:***

Claims 3-9 and 14-19 have been amended as follows:

3. The method as set forth in claim 1 [or 2], wherein a data model of said body is generated.

4. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein an implant may be selected as a data model from a plurality of data models.

5. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said implant is virtually positioned relative to said body.

6. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein a desired position of said element to be applied is determined from the position of said implant.

7. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein the position of connecting points between body and element is determined from the position of said element.

8. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein aligning said body and/or calibrating said device for preparing and/or producing a connection is implemented.

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9. The method as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein a connection is prepared or produced at determined connecting points.

14. The system as set forth in [any one of the two preceding claims] claim 12, wherein said position detection device detects optical, acoustical and/or radio signals.

15. The system as set forth in [any one of the three preceding claims] claim 12, wherein one or more markers are applied to said element and/or said body.

16. The system as set forth in [any one of the four preceding claims] claim 12, wherein a processor is provided for preparing or implementing one or more of the steps in [said] a method [as set forth in claims 1 to 9] comprising: detecting the position of a device for preparing and/or producing a connection between said body and said element relative to the position of said body.

17. The system as set forth in [any one of the five preceding claims] claim 12, wherein a display device is provided, connected to said processor.

18. The system as set forth in [any one of the six preceding claims] claim 12, wherein an input device is provided, connected to said processor.

19. The system as set forth in [any one of the seven preceding claims] claim 12, wherein a data recording device is provided for recording data during the operation of said system.